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ONE SHILLING.



Wife of a Grandson of Queen Victoria: The Marchioness of Carisbrooke.

The Marchioness of Carisbrooke, of whom we give a charming portrait, a reproduction of the painting by Mr. Peter Alexander Hay, R.I., R.S.W., was married in 1917 to the Marquess of Carisbrooke, who is the son of the late Prince Henry of Battenberg, and of Princess Beatrice, the youngest daughter of the late Queen Victoria. The Marchioness, who

has been much to the fore in beneficent work during the war, was, before her marriage, the Lady Irene Frances Adza Denison, daughter of the late Earl of Londesborough, and sister of the present holder of the title. The Marquess of Carisbrooke is a Captain in the Grenadier Guards, and has served with his regiment during the war and also on the Staff.

FROM THE PAINTING BY P. A. HAV. R.I., R.S.W.



By KEBLE HOWARD ("Chicot.")

Let It Begin! The far-famed Election is over; Mr. Pemberton-Billing is in, and Mr. Asquith is out. All that the "public" have now to do is to sit still and await the millennium.

The Prime Minister has referred to a "new world." I take it that we have no objection to a "new world." A "new world," naturally, would have none of the disadvantages of the old world. It would be idle, with centuries of experience behind us, to make a new world containing any of the faults of the old.

The prospect, you will admit, is exciting. Imagine, to begin with, a world without charlatans! There's an inspiring thought for you! A world in which all men were honest, sincere, openhearted, living only for the well-being and advancement of their neighbours! We shall certainly expect charlatanism to expire in the first week of the new Parliament. We may feel a little lost without it, but we shall survive that.

The new world, of course, will be a just world. No longer will rogues and parasites live in luxury whilst honest workers make ends meet as best they can. No longer will the world fall down and worship the creatures who batten on other men's brains. What a world! What a blessed and beautiful world! And to think that all this has been attained by putting a notch in the right place on a ballot-paper!

"All Honourable

I am a child in these matters—as, indeed, in all matters—but it pleased me to note, as I read my evening paper on the day of the declaration

of the poll, that not one man was rejected who was really wanted, and scarcely a man of those rejected but was a danger to his country.

Surely this shows an enormous advance in the intelligence of the voter. In other elections, good men have been rejected, and The President in the City.

"He stands with shoulders well thrown back, slim and erect, looking taller than he really is. The cheers roll up and down the room—not so

much loud as long-continued; and, by a delightful touch which brings his teaching days to mind, the Fresident silences them by a motion of the hand. The smile which accompanies the act deprives it of any suspicion of pedagogy; but it is none the less amusing to see the potent, grave, and reverend signors of the City brought to silence like a class of exuberant students."

I am glad that the reporter from whom I quote saw the humour of the scene. At times such as these the English are apt to lose their sense of humour. The man who flings his hat so high into the air that he never sees it again cannot have much sense of humour. By all means, fling your hat into the air! But look where you are flinging it, and make quite sure that you are going to catch it.

The Americans seldom, if ever, lose their sense of humour. I have seen an American trample on his hat at a baseball match, but he knew quite well what he was doing. He had won a new hat.

Cur new hats have not yet been served out. We are still wearing khaki ones, or trying to remove the dust from the pre-war hats which went into the cupboard. When we get our new hats, then we can fling the old ones into the air as high as we like. In the meantime, avoid draughts.

The Destiny of America.

On the day following the enormously successful and even jovial visit of President Wilson to the City of London, the *Observer* published a most

interesting interview with Mr. Daniels, Secretary of the United States Navy. In point of fact, the interview with Mr. Daniels and the report of the President's speech were printed in adjoining columns.



AN ALL-SAILOR PANTOMIME: "MOTHER GOOSE," AT CHATHAM.

"Mother Goose," as presented for eight nights at the Royal Naval Barracks, Chatham, and at a Charity Matinée at the Chatham Empire, was played by men only. It was given by permission of Commodore Skipwith, and was under the patronage of Sir Doveton

Sturdee, Commander-in-Chief at the Nore. It was arranged by the Entertainment Committee President, Commander St. John, and produced by Commander Smith Wright and Lieutenant Coote, R.N.V.R. The secretary was Chief Writer McReady.—[Photograph by Howe.]

useless men elected. Not so to-day. The voter has acted in all cases with the utmost nicety of discrimination. The Coalition may congratulate itself on the astounding fact that its ranks will not contain one recalcitrant or unworthy person.

Whence came this new-found intelligence? The answer is simple. We know that more than fifty per cent. of the electorate would not bother to vote, the lazy scoundrels. And we know that the women took full advantage of their new privileges. It is obvious, therefore, that the magnificent victory of the Coalition—magnificent, I mean, from the point of view of those who voted for the Coalition: The Shetch has no politics—was due all the way through to the women. And the women made no mistakes. They picked out the sheep from the goats, and sent the —— about their business.

For five years, then, all is well. Germany will be duly and severely punished for the unspeakable horrors of the war. The Kaiser will be executed. England will be made clean, and sweet, and fit for heroes to live in. If anything less happens, the women voters will have to give their infallible intellects another rub.

Mr. Daniels, being an American, is a humourist. He concluded his remarks to the interviewer in this way: "If the outcome of the Peace Conference is that all the nations will concur in this idea "—namely, the reduction of armaments—" then the United States will gladly join in the worthy plan. But if such an agreement cannot at the time be arranged, then we in America must accept the burden which failure will automatically thrust upon us, and bear it with such cheerfulness and competence as we can muster."

What does that mean? Don't you know? But look at your hat! How it sails through the air! If you don't understand what Mr. Daniels is talking about, you should read, inquire, mark, and learn. If you do know, it is a little puzzling that you should think the time has come to throw your hat into the air.

It amounts to this. If armaments are not reduced, then America means to have, in the words of Mr. Daniels, "incomparably the greatest navy in the world." And she has the wealth, and the intelligence, and the scientific attainments to get it. Now shout . . .

Well, I'm waiting . .

WAR AND POST-WAR TIME: OCCASIONS AND PERSONALITIES.



LEAVING THE SAVOY CHAPEL: CAPTAIN H. FRANKLYN BELLAMY, D.S.O., M.C., AND HIS BRIDE (MISS DOROTHY TETLEY).



RECENTLY INVESTED AS A COMPANION OF HONOUR: THE MARCHIONESS OF LANSDOWNE.



MARRIED: CAPTAIN M. J. LIVINGSTONE-LEARMONTH, IRISH GS., AND HIS BRIDE (MRS. NIGEL LIVINGSTONE-LEARMONTH.)



A DARING PILOT BACK FROM GERMANY: LIEUTENANT SHUM, R.A.F., WITH HIS WIFE AND CHILDREN.



SEEING THE NEW YEAR IN AT THE RITZ: COMMANDER SAMSON WITH HIS WIFE (RIGHT) AND SISTER,



AN OXFORD SCHOLAR WHO COMMANDED ARABS IN PALESTINE : COL. LAWRENCE.



ACTING M.F.H. OF THE BERKELEY: LADY SCOTLAND YARD'S NEW SPECIAL SER-CHESHAM AT A RADLETT MEET.



VICE CHIEF: CHIEF INSPECTOR MCBRIAN.

Captain H. Franklyn Bellamy, who recently married Miss Dorothy | Lawrence, who is 29 and a scholar of Magdalen, Oxford, served under Tetley, daughter of Sir Alexander Tetley, of Buenos Ayres, is appearing in "Going Up," at the Gaiety.—The wedding of Captain M. J. Livingstone-Learmonth, took place at St. Peter's, Eaton Square. Lieutenant Shum had his petrol-tank set on fire while flying at the front, He is captain of the Molesey Fire Brigade.—Colonel T. E. Special Service Branch at New Scotland Yard.

Sherif Feisul, son of the King of Hedjaz, and commanded an Arab Sherif Feisul, son of the King of Hedjaz, and commanded an Arab force, which he led into Damascus. Speaking two native dialects, he lived and dressed as an Arab,---Chief-Inspector James McBrian has succeeded Mr. Patrick Quinn, who recently retired, as head of the



Many curious and diverting things are bound A Shock. to happen in this new House of Commons of ours. Meanwhile, the result of England's political voice-interpreted through the generous channels of a free democracy-has been the biggest stone ever thrown into the little and ever-whirling round pond of social amenities. When Lady Lymelyghte hurried to see me at a most unrespectable hour of night after the full results

HE ASKED FOR IT. "Haunted house wanted, to rent or pur-chase, freehold, with five to ten acres of

land, within fifty miles of London.'

The Times. which I purposely borrowed from the driver

of a Dickens heroine and calmly walked upstairs. The Soulful Ones. After she had been revived by the necessary stimulants-very different stimulants from those which were used to revive the heroines of Dickens-I learnt the worst. The defeat of all the Liberal Front Bench meant that there would be no more Liberal Social Even-

of the vehicle: "Milly, don't make a fool of

verself!" she recovered with the expedition

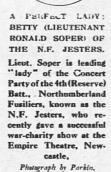
ings. Poor Mr. Asquith! As for Mrs. Asquith, she would undoubtedly take herself to a nunnery. Poor little Elizabeth! Would she ever



THE QUEEN OF SPAIN: AND FOUR OF HER CHILDREN (IN CONFIRMATION DRESS). From left to right, the children are: Don Jaime (born 1908), the Infants Beatrice (1909), the Prince of the Asturias (1907), and the Infants Christina (1911).—(Photograph b. Vidal.)

had been declared, she was preceded by a sober and rather puritanical taxi-cab driver. "I don't know by rights that I ought to have taken the lady at all," he said, pulling a mongrel wisp of hair whilst he freely pepper-boxed my flat with a dilution of mud and rain. "But, at any rate, she wants to see you, and I think she's fainted." I went downstairs and scrutinised his fare by the aid of a torch-lamp. She had not fainted. I knew the symptoms better than my taxi friend. She simply wanted

to think that she had fainted. After Ihad shaken her and said, in a voice



be the guiding star of a pageant or a fashionable sale of work again? Poor Mrs. McKenna! Once again I felt that, in the interests of reason, it was absolutely necessary that I should be rude. So I said: "Milly, don't be a fool!" This remark apparently restored her to her normal faculties as much as the other stimulants, including the Egyptian cigarette which she had dropped from her slender and bejewelled fingers, and which, by-the-bye, was industriously burning a very nice hole in my inoffensive red carpet. After a time we agreed, as everybody at the Clubs had agreed beforehand, that Mrs. Asquith, Mrs. McKenna, Miss Elizabeth, and all the rest will

in no way be challenged in

their social leadership by the political cataclysm which has buried their male relatives and friends. They will still be the soul of their own soulful set.



MILEAGE, 2400: MISS DORIS BEAUMONT, THE RIVER POST WOMAN OF STAINES. Miss Besumont has, during the war, rowed 2400 miles on a 7-mile stretch of the Thames delivering letters riverside houses and house-boats.

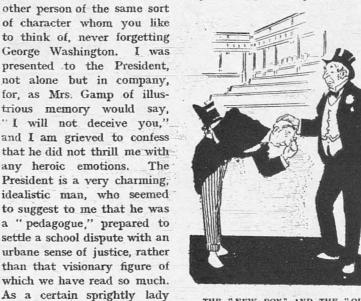
Photograph by L.N.A.

As a matter of fact, strange Mrs. I.I. G. though it may seem. I rather think, and I rather think the majority of people rather think, that Mrs. Lloyd Geroge will prove a more effective Tory grande dame than some of the more sprightly spirits who have presided over the social amenities of the Democratic Party.

Distance Lends-Etc.

What did you think of President Wilson? My little friend, Miss Joy Ryde,

tells me that he's "just a love and a dear," whilst all sorts of important journalists, expressing themselves in columns and columns of closely printed matter, have never ceased to tell us that he is the greatest thing in the way of mankind that ever happened; being, in fact, a sort of shrewd mixture of Cæsar, Abraham Lincoln, John Bright, Carlyle, and any



THE "NEW BOY" AND THE "OLD BOY" AT WESTMINSTER.

"The old member will take the novice into the Chamber and carefully explain: 'This is the floor of the House, and that is the gallery,' and so on."—Daily Paper.

over. You believe so much more about people whom you have never seen." I share her emotion.

And yet I must withdraw those words. After The Top Hat. all, President Wilson did not come to England empty-handed. He brought with him something which is very precious to me and to all true British men of the old school. He



who can talk well and write

well when she likes re-

marked: "I am really rather

sorry that Wilson ever came

PRESIDENT WILSON-A "CORRECTION."

"Mr. Wilson was walking to the gelf course, when a small boy on the road put out his tongue at him. A friend suggested correction. 'I corrected him all right,' said the President. 'How was that?' said his friend. 'You said nothing.' 'No,' said the President, 'but I made a worse face at him.' "Daily Paper.

brought the top hat. He was never without that top hat. It was inevitable and invariable. On one occasion I saw Princess Mary stare at it as she might well have stared at the helmet of the Black Prince-the stare of curiosity. I saw crowds gape at it in admiring wonder. I did not see, but I know with an intuition that is almost womanish, that all the assistants of



SOLID. IMPECUNIOUS FRONTAGE. A SOLID. IMPRECUNIOUS PRONIAGE.

"Gentleman, heroic figure, distinguished appearance, thorough man of the world, wishes to marry. Applications from ladies without means will not be considered. What is desired is an ideal feminine soul with a solid financial backing." — Münchener Neueste Nachrichten.

pernumeraries. On this occasion, approaching the great personage with due discretion, he ventured to ask for a little character-sketch of the President. "What I liked most about Mr. Wilson, and what I must confess surprised me most," replied the dignitary in the solemn accents of an Under-Secretary of State giving an answer in the affirmative or the negative, "was his top hat. As a matter of fact, we have not seen a top hat in this house for some time. The last occasion was a call from Harley Street, and he was brought here most unnecessarily about a matter of toothache. Up to now I had always thought the Americans were what you call 'demo-

crats,' Mr. Wilson has taught me different.

He wears a silk hat, and democrats don't.

I know a democrat when I see him."

I wonder if any of you. " Ll. G.'s " are old-fashioned enough to have indulged in any New Year's resolutions. I can tell you at

> body remembers, once re-

marked: "All

the world

loves a lover."

I could not

help thinking of this fount

of wisdom when all the women of England had

spasms because they had

drunk their morning tea

the wrong way on reading

in their favourite news sheet that Princess Pat had

made what our mothers

love to call "a love match."

Some discreet personage

with a considerable know-

ledge of humanity must

have kept Princess Patricia

away from all the Proces-

sions in which America's

triumphant President and

least of one person who has not. It was just after the news of how the election was going had been brought by wireless or special courier to the Guildhall Banquet that an enterprising friend of mine managed to bump against the Prime Minister, and took the opportunity of inquiring if he might ask what was Mr. Lloyd George's resolution for the New Year. "I have made none," replied the Prime Minister. "All my good resolutions were made this year. Next year I am going to keep them." This is the happy sort of thing which "Ll. G." says very happily, and I hope he will carry it out-in all happiness.

Our Love Story. One of those obscure and mysterious persons whom nobody ever remembers, but who say things which every-



EAR! EAR! The wearing of earrings is predicted as a peace fashion. If only the right enrings are worn we the right face, the fashion need not be deplored.'

Daily Paper.

London's great hatters mentioned Mr. President's "topper" when they went home to bed and said their prayers. It is sure to revive the trade.

> One little The Butler's incident I View. can vouch

for. The President called at a certain august house, was received, gave his audience, and departed on his busy ways. After him arrived a journalist whose chief business in life is to get up and down area steps without being noticed, and to be on terms

of social affability with butlers and their su-

> CHURCH WITH A LIGHTHOUSE (RE-LIT ON YEAR'S EVE): AN ECCLESIASTICAL CURIOSITY.

St. Mary's, Great Weldon, Northants, is unique au inland churches for the lighthouse on its tower, formerly used to guide wayfarers in Rockingham Forest. "Dora" allowed it to be lit up again on New Year's Eve, according to custom. - [Photograph by L.N.A.]

England's triumphant Prime Minister have figured. Had she been there I am sure that the cheers that she would have aroused would have drowned those evoked by the magic presence of Premier and President combined. As it was, on a certain occasion the Duke of Connaught, whom the crowd assumed to be Princess Pat's deputy, was embarrassed by the warmth of his reception along the London streets. I wonder if he ever thought he would live to see the day when he would ride into the City of London accompanied by tumultous shouts, uttered from thousands of honest British throats, of "Good old Princess Pat!"





PIANO TO POLITICS M. PADEREWSKI, MENTIONED AS POSSIBLE PRESIDENT OF A POLISH REPUBLIC. Photograph by London Stereoscopic Co.

I think everybody who has met her has been delighted by her real affability-I say, real, because it appears to be an actual part of her personality rather than a theatrical

assumption-and her natural wit and good-humour, just as much as all male creatures come under the spell of her beauty. I had a long conversation with her last year in Mile End when some sort of Exhibition or other was being opened at the People's Palace. It was then that she remarked that she always read newspapers to see exactly what she had not said! Apparently

THE NEW UNITED STATES SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY: MR. CARTER GLASS. Photograph by Tspical.

Princess Pat was perfectly pleased to be misreported. What a difference from the Right Honourable Arthur Henderson, Leader

of the Labour Party, and once candidate for the Prime Ministership! When he had made a slip and found that it was re-

ported, he sometimes complained that he was misreported. I think if Princess Pat was correctly reported she would complain that she had not been misreported. This paragraph begins to read like a tongue-twisting comic song. So I'm going to stop it.



VERSAILLES PROBLEMS IN FANCY DRESS: "PRESIDENT WILSON'S FOURTEEN POINTS."

Miss Helen Direks, the popular Assistant Secretary of the American Officers' Club, and a party of friends; attended a Fancy Dress Ball'at the Empress Rooms as "President Wilson's Fourteen 'Points."—[Photograph by C.N.]

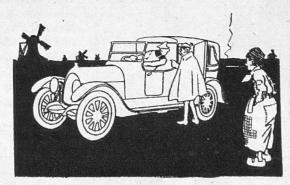
Olivia Glynn informs us that she has understudied Miss Mary Glynne throughout the run, appearing for her on several occasions. We understand that Miss Patricia Selbourne plays the part in a touring company. - THE WORLDLING.

In our issue of Dec. 25 we stated (on a photographer's authority) that Miss Dorothy "Selborne" was playing in "The

Miss Mary Glynne's

Understudy.

Luck of the Navy" at the Queen's, and understudying Miss Mary Glynne. We regret to find that this statement was incorrect. Miss



A'M A WRONG 'UN. The Kaiser (entering his car, to the Chauffeur): "Ameroogen." The Chauffeur (asdly): "Yes, All-Highest, I know you are!"



NIECE OF LORD

ENGAGED: MISS ENID DUDLEY

WARD.

Miss Enid Dudley Ward is the youngest daughter of the late Mr. W. H. Dudley Ward, and the Hon. Mrs. Dudley

Ward, and is a niece of Viscount Esher

BUT for the misfortune of war, Lady Sybil Scott, whose engagement to Mr. Charles Ellin ment to Mr. Charles Phipps was announced the other day, would have been a properly presented débutante-at-Court of something like two years' standing. As it is, she stands, if the war fashion of quick marriages still remains in vogue, to marry first and make her bow at Court afterwards. There

is, by-the-bye, quite an impressively long list of "come outs" who have yet to face their Majesties clad in the satin and ostrich-feathers of tradition. Amongst them is Lady Harcourt's daughter Doris, whose vivacity, good looks, and charm are likely to make her as popular as her mother. Miss Sonia Keppel is another whose name occurs to the mind: and the Hon. Joan Dixon-Poynder, though completely "out," has yet to go through the Court ordeal considered essential to the proper launching of the social butterfly.



TO MARRY A MEMBER THE R.A.F.: MISS NINA WELLS.

Miss Nina Wells is the third daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. Wells, of Snaresbrook, Essex Her engagement to be married to Mr. S. J. Beveridge, Royal Air rce, of Vancouver, British Columbia, is announced.

Photograph by Bertram Park.

When Will It Be? the moment of writing no definite announcement has been made as to the date of Princess Patricia's marriage. Rumours of an interesting trousseau have, however, already gone around. The brideelect enjoys the reputation of being the smartest and most modishly dressed member of the Royal Family. Without indulging in extremes, she always contrives to look "of the moment," and generally affects the sim-

plest gowns. Princess "Pat" is, I believe, the first of her house to marry a commoner. Those who knew her best are least surprised at her departure from

marriage traditions established by her Hanoverian ancestors. She has always been credited with being a broad-minded and very up-to-date young woman, and during the time of the Suffrage agitation it was freely whispered that her sympathies were on the side of those who demanded women's enfranchisement, to the scandalised amazement of the more conventional of her relations.



TO MARRY A D.S.O.: MISS MURIEL SWABEY.

Miss Swabey is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eustace Swabey, of Langley, Misterton, Somerset. Major Arthur L. P. Griffith, D.S.O., R.F.A., is the eldest son of the Ven. Archdeacon and Mrs. Griffith, of Thorp Arch, Yorkshire.-[Photograph by Bassano.]

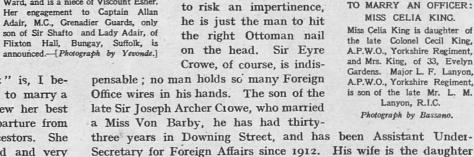
Lord Montagu of The Rule of Beaulieu is an the Road. enthusiast, and the sense of proportion is not the enthusiast's strong point. While the rest of the world is wondering how Germany can be made to pay, and whether there will be any Germany to pay, Lord Montagu urges the Peace Conference to settle the rule of the road, getting a uniform practice in all countries. In France and on a good part of the Continent you are right if you keep to the right; here you are wrong. Some countries follow our plan; others have one rule in one district, and another in another. In some places there are no rules at all. The question is, of course, more important than might appear at first sight. It is not merely

the convenience of the visiting motorist that is in question. Sooner or later motors will be built for left-hand and right-hand driving, and there will be the old inconvenience of the battle of the gauges in a new form. But Lord Montagu probably under-rates the degree of opposition to a change; the League of Nations would probably

be nothing to it. The free-born Briton would, no doubt, think it quite all right for France and America to adopt our own common-sense method, but would be angry to think of new-fangled ways thrust on him by the insolent foreigner. So it is doubtful whether the Conference will wish to add so vexed a subject to its labours.

The "F.O." The Foreign Office is to be powerfully represented at Paris. Lord and Paris. Hardinge, whom Mr. Balfour positively refused to sacrifice to the Mesopotamia mal-

contents, is in charge of the thirty or so representatives. He is generally considered the finest flower of the Diplomatic Service, whatever may be the view of him as Indian Viceroy. Only by the exercise of a very powerful memory can he recall all the various honours of which he has been a recipient. Sir Louis Mallet is well qualified for care of Turkish matters; to risk an impertinence, he is just the man to hit the right Ottoman nail on the head. Sir Eyre



of the late Professor Gerhardt.

TO MARRY AN OFFICER: MISS CELIA KING.

Miss Celia King is daughter of the late Colonel Cecil King, A.P.W.O., Yorkshire Regiment, and Mrs. King, of 33, Evelyn Gardens. Major L. F. Lanyon, A.P.W.O., Yorkshire Regiment, is son of the late Mr. L. M. Lanyon, R.I.C.

Photograph by Bassan

Just as the gossips were setting really exciting He Chose rumours about Lord Althorp's future wife afloat, the for Himself.

young Viscount upset the apple-cart by choosing for himself. No one can gainsay the suitability of his choice, but his rather sudden entry into the list of bridegrooms-to-be came as a complete surprise to those who had destined him for even higher things. Like her fiancé, Lady Cynthia Hamilton is well known as well as well liked in Society, and the youthful couple have the good wishes of hosts of friends, including not a few who remember the wonderful collars and perfect suits of "Bobby" Spencer, father of Lord Althorp -and, incidentally, the brightest ornament of the faithful Commons in late Victorian and early Edwardian days. Lord Althorp served in the 1st Life Guards during the war, and was wounded in the knee.



ENGAGED: MRS. LURLINE HIGGON. Mrs. Higgon is the widow of Major J. A. Higgon, of Scolton, Pembrokeshire, and daughter of the Hon. Henry Moses, M.L.C., of Sydney, Australia. She is engaged to Brigadier-General T. H. F. Price, C.M.G., D.S.O., son of Sir Frederick Price, K.C.S.I., and Lady Price.-[Photograph by Bassano.]

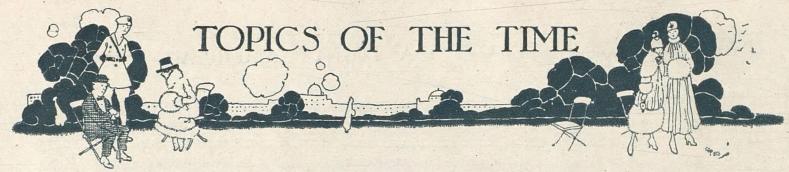
A SOCIETY ENGAGEMENT: AN EARL'S DAUGHTER TO WED.



ENGAGED: LADY ROSAMOND BUTLER - MR. LIONEL GALLWEY-ROBERTSON.

Lady Rosamond Butler, whose engagement to Mr. Lionel Gallwey-Robertson is announced, is the elder daughter of Lieutenant-Colonel the Earl of Carrick and the Countess of Carrick, and was born in 1899. Mr. Gallwey-Robertson is in the Suffolk Regiment, and is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Robertson, and great-nephew of the late created much interest,—[Photographs by Bassano.]

Lieutenant-General Sir Thomas Lionel Gallwey, K.C.M.G. The mother of the bride-elect, the Countess of Carrick, was, before her marriage, which took place in 1898, Miss Ellen Rosamond Mary Lindsay, daughter of the late Lieutenant-Colonel Henry Gore Lindsay. The engagement has



YOU and I must certainly get friendly with the new dance from America. I refer, of course (if I may be so bold), to the "Shimmy."

She looked a perfect angel in the joy-rag of the Jazz—a little blaze of beauty past believing. If any girl has sunshine in her dancing, Daphne has: a golden thread through khaki masses weaving. I stood, a flame of envy, in the border of the door, and slew her partner twenty times with curses; and in imagination, as I loathed him more and more, I gaily rode behind his fifty hearses!



ROASTING THE VICTORY OX (WHOLE) AT BLENHEIM PALACE:
LADY SARAH WILSON ASSISTS.
Lady Sarah Wilson is an aunt of the present Duke of Marlborough.

Lady Sarah Wilson is an aunt of the present Duke of Marlborough.

Photograph by Farringdon Photo. Co.

She looked so very lovely in the Fox-trot and the Valse (she promised me the former, incidentally), that in my heart I pardoned her at once for being false, although her partner still I murdered mentally! She turned my head completely, made me goosey at the breast, till heart and brain were curiously swimmy; but never more intensely than (it has to be confessed) when gambolling before me in a "Shimmy"!

Is it possible to be sincere humbly? I am in doubt, in spite of the new feeling that triumphant democracy has put into us all, as to whether it is permissible for me to offer my sincere congratulations to a Royal Princess without bringing in the word "humble" or "respectful"; and it worries me because I am of the opinion privately that words like these don't mix with sincerity of the finest quality, except in an oil-and-vinegary sort of way, which is all right for salads, but no good for salutations.

I don't want to make any mistake about it, so I 'll do a block of Walt Masonry instead. (Half a moment while I remember amusedly that it was Thackeray who, as a boy, wrote in his diary, "Nothing to record to-day, so I 'll draw a little man.")

Your Royal Highness Princess "Pat," I'm late with my congratulations because I was not certain that I ought to send you salutations! But you in war have played your part, as I and mine in sphere below you; and somehow, somewhere in my heart, and through our cause, I seem to know you! Though sundered we in blood and bone, your cause was mine and mine your own!

The war is over, Princess "Pat"—a war that took a deal of winning! (The war of swords, I mean by that—the war of words is just beginning!*) But from your gentle heart and mind Canadian "boys" will vanish never—the living and the "left behind," who 'Il bear and wear your name for ever: who fought for Empire, Right, and Throne—the brave "Princess Patricia's Own"!

The roar of guns, the shriek of shells, have given up the air to cheering, and cleared it for the wedding bells—a fitter sound for lovers' hearing! "Patricia's Own," in death and life, are yours as in the days of sorrow, though one awaits a Royal wife as precious as the world's to-morrow—henceforth, in marriage, to be known as sweet Princess Patricia's Own!

When Paderewski's dash for the Poles was first in the papers, some put it down to the hairdressers' strike, while others hinted lightly at the attractions of the Duchess of Danzig.

But you and I put our trust in the rumour that he really had gone to Poland as a delegate of the Polish National Committee in the United States; and that he had been considered the best man for "getting in touch with the Warsaw Government, in the interests of all sections of Polish opinion," because of his "delegate touch." And now he is Poland's President—which is excellent, so long as gentlemen whose chosen job is Foreign Diplomacy don't take to giving pianoforte recitals at Queen's Hall to get even with him!

The ladies didn't like it when their Paderewski fled, and left a Foreign Office man to play to them instead. His method was too formal and official, so they said. Besides, this Foreign Office man had such a close-cropped head! The Diplomats of Poland nearly fainted with dismay when Paderewski joined them as the voice of U.S.A.! They said he hadn't quite the standard diplomatic way, and wanted so to tell him just to run away and play!



WITH THE GARTH FOXHOUNDS: MISS FRANCES ANDERSON AND MRS. VERE ALLFREY.—[Photograph by S. and. G.]

"You cannot be a pianist and a politician too: this mixing up of Foreign 'Notes' is dang'rous through and through!"... The moral of their protest's very plain to me and you, since Harmony robs diplomats of what they're paid to do!

A. B. M.

^{*} This refers, I need hardly say, to the war of words that will be waged shortly in Westminster. And, by the way, it will have been seen by the observant brain that two prominent Scotsmen, both Ramsays, have been "in the news" lately as competitors for the big prizes of the world—one as a winner, and the other as a loser. Alexander Ramsay was accepted. Ramsay Macdonald was rejected. And both results popular!

"SHE WALKS IN BEAUTY": A DAINTY AMERICAN DANCER.



IN A NEW AND GRACEFUL POSE: MISS GERTRUDE HOFFMAN, A DANCER WELL KNOWN ON THE NEW YORK STAGE.

Miss Gertrude Hoffman, a dancer very popular with New York audiences, is noted for her beautiful figure and graceful carriage. This portrait—one

Thotograph by Count J. de Strelecki.



UEEN ALEXANDRA as one of the crowd! Both Field-Marshal Haig and President Wilson will long remember, as an outstanding—a very literally outstanding—episode of their triumphal drives, the stately and beautiful apparition of Queen Alexandra waving to them from the pavement outside

A KEEN WORKER: MISS CONSTANCE DRUMMOND.

Miss Constance Drummond is the youngest daughter of Lady Katherine Drummond, and grand-daughter of the third Marquess of Bristol. She has been a constant worker for charities during the war.

Photograph by Elliott and Fry.

Marlborough House. Queen Alexandra has driven through countless miles of streets lined with cheering peoples, and always with a little wonder and a little curiosity as to what part in the pageant the spectator's really was. Now that she has at last had her own experience, she is said to pronounce it much the more amusing of the two.

Season of Good
Cheers.

Royalties used to reckon London crowds rather chary of their cheers. Northern towns were found to be more vocally demonstrative. But practice makes perfect, and by the time the victorious army returns London will be "in voice" for its reception. Meanwhile, President Wilson thought that London outdid anything ever achieved by a crowd in Washington—perhaps the most silent and self-con-

scious in the world. "I feel I ought to

give an Indian yell," wittily said Mrs. Wilson, under pressure of the many allusions made to her descent from the Princess Pocahontas. And it was almost an English yell that she herself heard from the kerb as she drove through our show streets. Even Crown Prince Olaf has provoked his own salvo of cheering, so natural has it become to the Londoner to lift up his voice in the street. There is quality as well as quantity in cheering; and an expert in these things says that the sporting cheers given to our own young Prince Albert in the Albert Hall were of a very fine brand indeed. The resounding Albert Hall seemed to establish a second claim on its name.

He Had the Face!

Sargent seldom dines among faces he has not painted. So he must have felt a little lost at the Buckingham Palace banquet to find himself not familiarly countenanced. His host and hostess had not been among his sitters - by no wish of theirs. But Mr. Wilson's face he has translated into paint; and the curious thing is that England has not, by the help of reproductions, come to know the President by his most famous portrait. Snapshots and the poets, however,



A NEW PORTRAIT: MRS. BUTLER WRIGHT—AND BABY.

Mrs. Butler Wright, who is here seen with her baby daughter, is well known in London. Her husband was formerly Councillor to the American Embassy in Russia, and is now appointed to the American Embassy in London.

Photograph by Elliott and Fry.

have done their best for us. Canon Rawnsley wrote some years ago a description of his "friend of the grey-blue eye and chiselled face." And Mr. Wilson has tried his own deft hand at a verse of himself, and has enriched by it the album of one of his friends—

For beauty I am not a star;
There are others handsomer far.
But my face—I don't mind it,
For I am behind it:
'Tis the people in front that I jar.

"Sir F. E." The secrets of the shaving-sanctum have been given away. A client's dealings with his solicitor are regarded as confidential even in the most inquisitorial courts of law, but Solicitors-General have no such immunity in their transactions with their barbers. The Chairman of the Barbers' Union says that there is a great deal of exaggerated talk about tipping: "Sir Edward Clarke never tipped more than a penny when he had a shave, and Sir F. E. Smith never more than twopence. I am prepared to swear to those statements." So it was not among the barbers that "Sir

Fee Smith" earned his popular nickname.

Attraction in Contrast.

Ruins are always dear to restaurateurs and hotel-managers. A Ritz that can boast, besides all the latest conveniences and a famous chef, a ruin round the corner is in a good way of business. Ypres, they say, is to be domineered by an American establishment comprising all the creature comfortsin order that its patrons may be within easy reach of the most desolate spectacle on earth. It is an old story; the Rhine of the tourists has always made the best of its ruinous castles, and the enterprising Hun, before he started making ruins in real earnest, used to see that suitable sites were provided with picturesque remains of alleged ancient castles.



A MARQUESS'S DAUGHTER ENGAGED: LADY DOREEN BROWNE.

Lady Doreen Browne, whose engagement to Major the Hon. Michael Knatchbull-Hugessen, M.C., son of the fourth Baron Brabourne, is announced, is the youngest daughter of the Marquess of Sligo, and was born in 1896. The Hon. Michael Knatchbull-Hugessen is an A.D.C. on the Personal Staff.

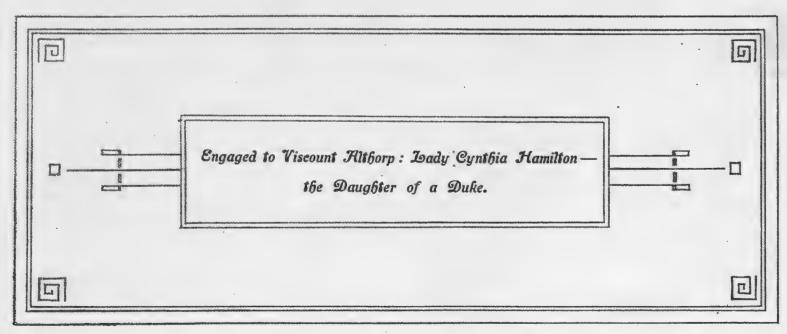
Photograph by Lallie Charles.

But why does the Duke of Sutherland choose to visit Trentham in this festive season? There was nothing picturesque about the place when the house-breakers had finished with it some years ago. But with the Duke associations count.

Chimney-Pottering. Bond Street is prophesying the return of the tall hat. That often-libelled head-gear has a good many defenders even in a climate of sudden gusts and swamping rains. But the tide has set against it, and not even the advertisement given it by Mr. Wilson will restore its ancient hold on the Londoner's head. "I have been over the top," said one young gallant the other day, devoting his leave to his future mufti, "and the 'top' shall never get over me." The monopoly recently acquired by the undertaker and the tax-collector may be a little disturbed—such are the forces of reaction. But that the dozen or so top-hats the President counted in the crowd between Charing Cross and Buckingham Palace will ever be converted into a forest is a dream which only illustrates the traditional madness of the hatter, or the curious whim of the wearer.

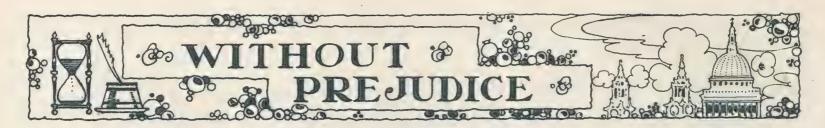
A PEERAGE ENGAGEMENT: A NEW PORTRAIT.





The end of the war has brought with it the announcement of an exceptional number of engagements amongst the aristocracy. One of them, of more than usually wide interest, is that of Viscount Althorp and Lady Cynthia Hamilton. Lord Althorp, who is a captain in the 1st Life Guards, is the eldest son of Earl Spencer, and was born in 1892. He served during the European War, 1914-17, and was wounded. He is an A.D.C. on the

Personal Staff. Lady Cynthia Eleanor Beatrix Hamilton is the second of the three daughters of the Duke and Duchess of Abercorn, and was born in 1897. Her eldest sister is Lady Mary Kenyon-Slaney, wife of Captain Robert Kenyon-Slaney, Grenadier Guards, and her elder brother is the Marquess of Hamilton. The announcement of the engagement has elicited many congratulations—[Photograph by Yevondo.]



OW for the Year Nineteen, and lots of it with a little more light in the evenings and not quite such a scramble for the tables at lunch, please! You remember that wild week 'way back in little old 1918, don't you, that ended (exactly like the poor dear Mediterranean used to before the maps all went wrong) in Turkey? Well, if in the intervals of buying all those things you couldn't afford and hoping your luck was going to turn in time for you to pay for them, you tried to lunch Anywhere (one always sees Someone there, doesn't one?), you won't-and neither will the head waiter whom you threatened to put under arrest-forget it. Don't tell me that you were one of those people who were quietly having their lunch inside all the time! Because you weren't. Nobody ever is. They are anonymous persons of no occupation with strong, persevering natures. Oh, no. This is what happened to you. First, you gathered that exquisitely compounded little party in the Hall. Then you manœuvred in line ahead, crossed the T, cleared your throat, squared your shoulders, and tried to get In. (Trying to get In was rather like standing for the Scottish Universities

seat without Proportional Representation.) That was just about point where the kind gentlemen in the pretty clothes began to get désolés about your (and party's) sad situation, and said so quite freely. Then you threatened (without the faintest intention of executing your threat or the slightest hope of having any lunch if you did) to go Somewhere Else. I know it was horrible to see all those nasty people with tables finishing the hors d'oeuvres, but there was no need to get peevish about Then you it. grew resigned and lost your appetite. And about sunsquared your shoulders, and tried to get In. of the more distinguished forms of theatrical on view from March to December. But it is squared your shoulders, and tried to get In. of the more distinguished forms of theatrical on view from March to December. But it is squared your shoulders, and tried to get In. of the more distinguished forms of theatrical on view from March to December. But it is squared your shoulders, and tried to get In. of the more distinguished forms of theatrical on view from March to December. But it is squared your shoulders, and tried to get In. of the more distinguished forms of theatrical on view from March to December.

IN THE SUITE OCCUPIED BY PRESIDENT AND MRS. WILSON AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE:

THE PRESIDENT'S DRESSING-ROOM,—[Photograph by C.N.]

down on a winter's afternoon, when the waiters were trying to go to sleep between meals, you got In—and pretty nearly everything was Off. Which, ladies and gentlemen, is a Nallegory and a Lesson to Us All, as well as a pretty exercise in the use of prepositions and a picture of contemporary manners in the parish of St. James, Piccadilly.

Talking of getting in, the getting-out habit seems to have been fairly prevalent in what descriptive writers love to call the purlieus of Westminster, doesn't it? The Tailor and Cutter will probably be less ill-pleased than usual with the results, because a Unionist majority should mean a preponderance of those elegant persons in frock-coats and lavender trousers whom one always supposes to approximate to the T. and C.'s ideal of a legislator's exterior. And our friends the caricaturists may lament the absence of familiar faces from the new Parliament, because it means that they will have to do a little real work. But one is rather inclined to believe that they were at the back of the Couponist landslide, because so many of the absentees are among their least successful figures of fun. They never succeeded in producing anything remotely suggesting the actual appearance of Mr. Asquith (although the indefinite

prolongation of the barbers' strike might have got him somewhere near his pictures); their efforts slid off Sir John Simon's features like water off a duck's back; and it was never a satisfactory device to concentrate the pictorial representation of the entire Labour movement in the convolutions of Mr. Ramsay Macdonald's front hair. So now they will have to find someone new with a funny face or an ill-conceived taste in collars. And there will be no ladies for them to draw, unless they are satisfied with the seat which Countess Markievicz will leave empty at Westminster, whilst she disports herself on the literary barricades of Dublin, or maintains the correct level of bad feeling among the Gore-Booth tenantry in Sligo. A bientôt, Christabel!

How eternal and unchanging (like Rome and the East, and all that) are Pantomime and its audiences. There are people all over England who tell the most wicked untruths about their enjoyment of the more distinguished forms of theatrical entertainment that are on view from March to December. But it is only in January and

February that they ever see anything on the stage that they really like. When they tell you how they are gripped by Sunday night performances of the drearier type or thrilled by the dear Russian Ballet, do not-I am sorry-but, all the same, do not believe them. What they like from March to December is the audience, the incidental music, the intervals, the overture, or the advertisements in the programme. It is not the stage. Now in Pantomime they really love the show itself. They are entirely indifferent as to whether the people they read about in the papers are or are not in

the stalls. They do not care how many gifted foreigners have poured their life's blood into the colour-scheme. They want to see the show. And they do. When the band has done playing all the tunes that they would sack the office-boy for whistling, and the lights all go down, they put the children in the corner at the back of the box, tell them to be quiet for a couple of hours or so, and settle down to see something that has got Bakst, Bernstein, and the Stage Society beat to a frazzle. So walk up, ladies and gentlemen!

And those Celebrations. How skilled we are all getting now at celebrating things, whether they are real items of Peace news, eminent persons on tour, or mere modifications of the calendar! There was a time when we just behaved as we felt (with gong and motor-hom accompaniment), and were spontaneous, youthful, and cheerfully vulgar. But now, my infants, how sophisticated and experienced we are about it. We order a table (Vérey lights and false moustaches for six, please), we mortgage our All to a taxi-driver who swears before a Commissioner (of Oaths, not of Police) that he will come for us, and we send our little names to the papers for everybody to giggle over the next morning. Such is the March of Progress.

WHERE PRESIDENT AND MRS. WILSON LIVED IN LONDON.



THE "EIGHTEENTH - CENTURY" SITTING - ROOM-OF THE BELGIAN SUITE, AT BUCKINGHAM PALACE.



THE "ORLEANS" BEDROOM-ALSO OF THE BELGIAN SUITE.

President Wilson and Mrs. Wilson were the honoured guests of the King and Queen during their brief stay in London, and the handsome "Belgian" suite of rooms at Buckingham Palace was placed at their disposal. There are seven rooms in the suite. The sitting-room is so called because the pictures are portraits of the Orleans family.

A BEDROOM SCENE OF THE TENSE VARI



The plot of "Scandal," Mr. Cosmo Hamilton's play at the Strand Theatre based on his novel of the same title, concerns the taming of a modern shrew. Beatrix Hinchcliff, a wilful girl who scorns convention, has been detected in a compromising visit to an artist's flat, which she leaves, when the artist becomes too ardent, under the escort of another man, Pelham Franklin. To explain the situation to her censorious relatives, she hits on the bold idea of announcing that she had previously been secretly married to Franklin. Obliged, in chivalry, to acquiesce, but enraged at the trick thus

IETY: THE PROTAGONISTS IN "SCANDAL."



played upon him, he teaches her a lesson by pretending to claim a husband's rights when they retire for the night, their hostess having naturally allotted them rooms as a married couple. Having reduced Beatrix to the point of submission, Franklin proceeds to humiliate her still more by leaving her with the remark that she has no attraction for him. In the last act, of course, the pair decide to marry in the orthodox manner. The play is distinctly unconventional in plot, and is acted with the skill it demands.—[Photographs by Foulsham and Banfield, Ltd.]

"THE BABES IN THE WOOD": DRURY LANE PRINCIPALS.



- I. THE GIRL BABE: MR. WILL EVANS AS FLOSSIE.
- 3. THE BOY BABE: MR. STANLEY LUPINO AS HORACE.

Drury Lane has outshone itself with this season's pantomime, "The Babes in the Wood," which is remarkable both on the spectacular and the comic side. Miss Marie Blanche, as Lord Fairplay, again makes an excellent Principal Boy, while the principal humours are in the able hands realistic.—[Photographs by Foulsham and Bunfield, Ltd.]

- 2. THE PRINCIPAL BOY: MISS MARIE BLANCHE.
- 4. WITH "TAYI" (MR. GEORGE GREEN): MISS MARIE BLANCHE.

of Messrs. Will Evans and Stanley Lupino, who take the parts of the Babes themselves. Nor must the efforts of Mr. George Green as good dog Taxi be overlooked, for, as our photograph shows, he is remarkably

"IN THE PEERAGE": A CHARMING BRIDE-ELECT.



ENGAGED TO MR. CHARLES PHIPPS: LADY SYBIL SCOTT.

Lady Sybil Scott, whose engagement to Mr. Charles Phipps has been announced, is the second of the five daughters of the Duke of Buccleuch and Queensberry, and was born in 1899. Her mother, who, before her wedding, was Lady Margaret Bridgeman, daughter of the fourth Earl of Mr. Charles B. H. Phipps, 18 Life Guards, of Chalcot, Wiltshire.



SCANDALOUS!

BY MARTHE TROLY-CURTIN. (Author of "Phrynette and London" and "Phrynette Married.")



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ELL, how did you spend it? I mean Christmas Eve—not your patrimony, or anything else! We spent it listening to "Scandal"; not the latest divorce or the freshest Government misdeed—much more pleasant than that: we went "down the Strand." Seldom have I seen Miss Kyrle Bellew looking more fascinating than in that play; and what surprises me is that scandal concerning the Hon. Beatrice Hinchcliff was so slow, for charming people can't escape criticism.

As for Arthur Bourchier, his was the sort of part which allows his masterfulness and his virile qualities to thrill us once more. I can't under-

stand how the Hon. Beatrice Hinchcliff could have held out a week against such a man! I am afraid that I—but that is a digression, or is it a confession?

The Christmas Dinner at the Poets' Club on Dec. 18 was a huge success. The chief guest, Mr. Gilbert Frankau, was unfortunately detained by the all-powerful 'flu; but the chairmanship of Mr. Edgar Jepson was a compensation, and the rather unusual topic, "Does Poetry Pay?" provided him and the brilliant President, Mr. Henry Simpson, with many original and amusing remarks. Mr. Ezra Pound, in his incisive and decisive way, delighted us with his caustic wit.

Does poetry pay? Alas, alas! "I hae ma doots"; but I could not but laugh when some critic asked whether the question meant, "Does poetry pay the poet, or does it pay the public to read it, or does it pay the publisher?"

The London Group is becoming very mondain as it grows up! Its members gave an amusing At Home last month, for which Mr. Taylor, friend of the Fine Arts, had lent his beautiful Adam house in Fitzroy Square. There was some very fanciful fox-trotting to the miaowing of an accordion. Everyone was in high glee, and the whole affair went off splendidly, and did not end until dawn, I am told. Let us hope there may be many repetitions of the party,

and that the "youngs" will also ask the "orthodoxes"—thus, perhaps, causing their rapports to become still more harmonious.

Among the celebrities enjoying themselves in that atmosphere of simplicity and bon-enfantism, I saw Mr. and Mrs. Epstein, Mr. Sickert, Nina Hamnet, Thérèse Lessore, Benjamin Coria, Mr. Allinson, Mme. Maria Levinskaja, and then I did not reconnoitre further.

All my "yous" and every other reader of *The Sketch*, as well as everyone interested in the artistic world, will be pleased to hear of the engagement of Gladys Peto (whose little, lightly clad ladie)

made glad so many dreary dug-outs) to the well-known black-and-white artist, Mr. Stephen Baghot de la Bere. The happy man is a most amusing raconteur. This little story which he told me may amuse you.

Their battery had just pulled into a camp not a hundred miles from St. Omer when an orderly brought Mr. Baghot de la Bere a note from the Medical Officer asking if he could let him have the loan of a couple of sketches for the medical hut. The artist was gratified by this wholly unexpected tribute to his art, but was compelled to write a civil excuse on the grounds that his recent sojourn on the Menin Road had left him small time for such recreation.

Fortunately, the Major came in, read the note, and interpreted the message as a request for a couple of stretchers! It was a narrow escape. The artist, after sending off his note, might have found himself in the medical hut under observation for softening of the brain! "Why do doctors always write such illegible script?" plaintively asked the artist. Well, methinks that doctors write badly with a diplomatic object. Between Latin

GLADYS PETO-

"Just pink satin slippers and a boudoir cap."

and illegible writing, what slip of science could not be excused?

But that other anecdote tickled me particularly. Mr. de la Bere had been making some studies of a girl's head—a girl who was rather well known in Society—and he suggested that she should sit for the figure. The girl appeared horrified. Never would she consent to pose for the nude—never! She could not dream of it—unless, of

course, the artist would swear that no one would ever know of it, and if, for instance, he would paint her with head averted, so that should the picture ever be exposed, no one of her many acquaintances would ever recognise her. The artist consented. But imagine his surprise and amusement, once the picture was achieved, to see his studio thronged day after day by fashionable callers—mostly men—eager to gaze on the beautiful back of the pretty sitter! As the artist had kept the most absolute secrecy, how do you think had the cat been let out of the bag? She had let herself out, mes amis—except that there had been no bag, but just pink satin slippers and a boudoir cap. C'est tout!

Speaking of studios, I went on Dec. 20 to an interesting At Home given by Mr. Val St. Cyr, the young designer of beautiful costumes. His taste for colour was revealed not only in the amazing (if ethereal) draperies of his female figures, but also in the charming decoration of his studio in Woodstock Street: the black-and-yellow curtains, the gorgeous and soft cushions, the low divan which invited the sitter to sit and sit—and stay!



WIFE OF A WELL-KNOWN BARONET: A NEW PORTRAIT.



Lady Ramsden is the wife of Sir John Frechefield Ramsden, sixth Baronet, of Byram, Ferrybridge, Yorkshire, and owner of several other country seats. He is a Captain in the Yeomanry, and patron of four livings. Before her marriage, which took place in 1901, Lady Ramsden was Miss Joan Buxton, daughter of Mr. Geoffrey Powell Buxton, of Dunston



THE CRITIC SON THE HEARTHS

BY A. ST. JOHN ADCOCK.

A SPECIAL destiny is always lying in wait to puncture the pride of those self-important persons who are rarely of any real importance except to themselves. The man or nation that fits on a halo and swaggers too confidently tempts the gods to do their worst, and they hardly ever seem able to resist such a temptation.

This is among the morals one may draw from Mr. Zangwill's incisive, deeply interesting study of "Chosen Peoples." Germany took over that Hebraic ideal, and we know what she made of it, and what it has made of her. Between the German and the Jewish notion of what was proper to a chosen race there were, as Mr. Zangwill indicates, strange resemblances, but so many much stranger differences that to speak of Germanism as a revival of Judaism

is merely grotesque. "If Germanism resembles Judaism, it is as a monkey resembles a man." Other nations have put in a claim to be the special pets of divinity. Mr. Zangwill faithfully reminds us of the time when we, too, were inclined to do so; and it is my belief that nothing but our national sense of humour prevented us from going too far in that fatal self-complacency.

Or possibly our salvation is explained by the aphorism from Hugh Walpole, "In Russia one is so close to God and the Devil-in England there is business and common-sense," quoted by Miss Buchanan in "Petrograd." Miss Buchanan is the daughter of the British Ambassador; she was in Petrograd when the war started, and remained there through the first revolution, the abdication of the Tsar, the rise of the Bolsheviks, till famine, violence, and chaotic disorder were overrunning the country in the early half of last year. Hers is the most intimate and graphic story I have read of those tremendous happenings. It is "the first attempt of any writer in any language," as Mr. Walpole says in his foreword, " to give to the world a sense of the atmosphere of Russia under the shock and terror of those world-shaking events." She pictures not only what it all meant in Court circles, but what it all meant to unimportant, ordinary folk; and it is her knowledge of the people that convinces her that the soul of Russia is not dead, and may be expected to reassert itself: "The soul of Russia is something neither the Germans nor the Bolsheviks can kill."

The same ground is covered by "The Game of Diplomacy"; but Baron de Schelking, who was for many years Secretary at the Russian Embassy in Berlin, goes back over the diplomatic history of the last thirty years or so, and reveals the inner workings of those

sinister political influences and ambitions that resulted in the Great War. His character-sketches of the leading statesmen and diplomats of Germany and Russia seem both extraordinarily frank and impartial. He seems as impartial and is as outspoken in what he writes of the Continental Kings and Queens he has known. His summary of the discontent and immorality rampant in all classes of Russian society on the eve of the revolution is not reassuring; but he is firm in the belief that the peasantry will prove a rock against which Bolshevism will break itself, for those land-owning peasants have nothing to gain and everything to lose by the triumph of anarchy.

Another useful book on Russia's present condition and future possibilities is "Russia," by A. N. Drew, who was engaged in business there for over twenty years, before the bottom fell out of everything and he had to come home. His study of the Russian character, of Russia's social and industrial problems, and vast mineral, agricultural, and other resources, and the part the Western world may play in accelerating their development, make this a very serviceable handbook for all who are interested in renewing trade relations with that innumerable people as soon as they have finished their alterations and repairs, and are ready to open shop again.

It is restful to turn from such vexed questions to the pleasant pages of George Sampson's "Readings in Literature." He has laid

all the great literature of our past under contribution, and gone picking and choosing with the nicest judgment among poets and prose writers of the present day. The advantage of an anthology is that it need not contain anything that is not the best of its kind. Mr. Sampson's selection gives these "Readings" that quality, and his catholicity of taste and unconventional method of arrangement—which follows no chronological order—add the charm of freshness and variety to a collection of great and little masterpieces as good as it is miscellaneous.

Now is the publishers' off-season, and new books are almost as scarce, for the moment, as gold coinage. I have not laid hands on any novel this week, but have more than consoled myself with the two plays and "Rosas," the short story in verse, in John Masefield's new volume. There is no magic phrasing in this, but it is curious how effectively Masefield can rhyme a romantic tale in the ordinary language of prose, and do it with a terse simplicity and directness that few prose-writers can equal.

And I have increased my consolation with three capital books of short stories that are not in rhyme. There is humour in all three, and nothing else but that in "Phillip and the Flappers," which is crisp and gay and whimsical, takes you adventuring in search of love and laughter, and always finds them. No living novelist is a neater, more ingenious hand at a tale of mystery and sensation than Dr. Austin Freeman, and his series of seven in "The Great Portrait Mystery" are as clever and as entertaining as any he has done. Richard Marsh had distinct gifts in the same line. The stories gathered into his "Orders to Marry" are a skilful blend of sensation and senti-



TO WED PRINCESS PATRICIA: COMMANDER THE HON.
ALEXANDER RAMSAY, R.N.

The announcement of the engagement of the Duke of Connaught's clever and charming daughter, Princess Patricia, to Commander the Hon. Alexander Ramsay, R.N., brother of the Earl of Dalhousie, has been received with unqualified gratification. The Princess won troops of friends during the Duke of Connaught's Viceroyalty in Canada, and has always been popular in England. Commander Ramsay has a record of distinguished service, and was awarded the D.S.O. in 1916 for good work done in Gallipoli. He is now on the Staff at the Admiralty.—[Photograph by C.N.]

ment. They may not count much as literature, but they are thoroughly readable.

BOOKS TO READ.

Chosen Peoples: The Hebraic Ideal and the Teutonic. By Israel Zangwill. (Allen and Unwin.)
Petrograd, 1914-1918. By Meriel Buchanan. (Collins.)
The Game of Diplomacy. By A European Diplomat. (Hutchinson.)
Russia: A Study Social and Industrial. By A. N. Drew. (Simpkin.)
Cambridge Readings in Literature. Edited by George Sampson. Two vols. (Cambridge Press.)
A Poem and Two Plays. By John Masefield. (Heinemann.)
Phillip and the Flappers. By W. Douglas Newton. (Pearson.)
The Great Portrait Mystery. By R. Austin Freeman. (Hodder and Stoughton.)
Orders to Marry. By Richard Marsb. (John Long.)



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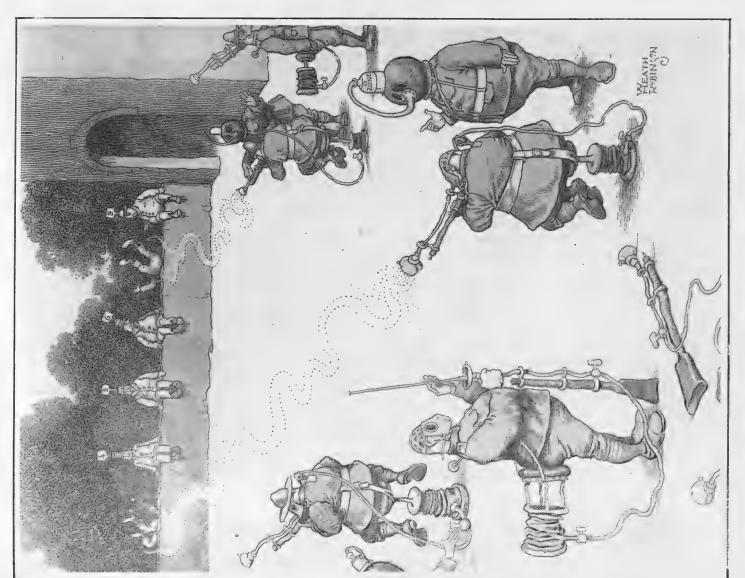
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THE ATLANTIC PROBLEM: A FRENCH PILOT'S UNIQUE WAR RECORD.

By C. G. GREY, litur of "The Acroplane."

NE of the chief jokes of the moment among aeronautical folk is all the pow-wow in a certain portion of the Press about the machines which are going to fly the Atlantic-perhapsin competition for the Daily Mail's £10,000 prize. About the cheapest way in which any aeroplane firm which has failed to make good during the war can get a big advertisement for itself is to say that it is going to produce a machine with thousands upon thousands of horse-power in order to fly the Atlantic. And forthwith some paper or other is bound to go off at half-cock over this new "Dreadnought of the Air"—one supposes

that the papers will now talk about "Mauretanias of the Air" now that war has become temporarily unpopular.

Curtiss and Porte. The latest Transatlantic candidate which one has seen mentioned is the Curtiss" Colossus." This, however, is a really serious effort, and most emphatically not one of the advertisement-catching stunts. Glenn H. Curtiss was the first man in the world to fly off water, and he does actually know quite a lot about building flying-boats. He and Lieutenant John Porte, R.N.—then retired from the Navy, but now a full Colonel R.A.F .- produced before the war the first successful twin-engined flying-boat. It was built to the order of John Wanamaker to fly the Atlantic. John Porte did the designing, at any rate as far as the boat was concerned, and most of the engine arrangement as well; and Curtiss did the construction.

The boat still needed a Porte Boats. good deal of experimentation when war broke out, and John Porte bolted off to England to serve an ungrateful country, But that original Curtiss-Porte flying-boat was the forefather, or foremother, of all those huge two- and three-engined

flying-boats which are so popular round our coasts, and were so unpopular with German submarines. They were built in this country to the later designs of Wing-Commander Porte, R.N.A.S.

(as he became later before progressing to Colonel R.A.F.). and are known among the seaflying people as Porte Boats. Incidentally, one is likely to hear a great deal more about Porte Boats in time to come, as they are obviously the pas-

The Curtiss

Anyhow, thanks to Colonel Porte, we in this

aeroplane of the future where river or sea services are required, just as the big Handley-Pages are the obvious things for overland services.

country are a long way ahead of any other " Colossus," country in our flying - boat design; and, strangely enough, the Americans, who started ahead of us, seem to have dropped right behind, if one may judge by the published lescriptions of the "'Colossus" and the accounts of those who have seen it-which are still more likely to be accurate. One gathers

that it is a colossal biplane which has lifted fifty passengers-packed like sardines-and a little petrol just to get it off the water. It is alleged to do eighty miles an hour when "all out," but to prefer to fly at fifty miles an hour. Either speed would be about equally useful for crossing the Atlantic. Imagine an eighty-mile-an-hour machine flying against a twenty-mile wind-which means a speed of sixty miles an hour over the sea-on a journey of 1800 miles or so. It means thirty hours for the journey, which is a great deal too slow in these days, especially when the later Porte hoats are doing

round about a hundred miles an hour. So, unless the Curtiss "Colossus" is altered a great deal, one does not expect to see it arrive on this side of the Atlantic-at any rate by air.

A Famous French An interesting visitor to his old haunts in War Pilot. London recently was the Lieutenant-Aviateur Louis Noël, well known before the war as a popular exhibition pilot, machine-tester, and exhibition flyer at the Hendon Aerodrome. Like a loyal Frenchman, he joined the French Army on the outbreak of war, and, after a week or two at his depot, was sent to the front near Toul with one of the first aeroplane squadrons. Since then he has been continuously a front-line pilot, never having had a job at a base or at a training depot. Barring a few weeks' leave and a few days' sickness, he has never been off duty; and he has, one believes, the proud distinction of being the only pilot in the French Service d'Aviation Militaire-or in any other, one suspects-who has been through the war from start to finish as a front-line pilot.

Forty-Seven and Much Decorated.

For the last two years he has been in the Balkans, where he dis-

tinguished himself by flying from Salonika to Bucharest, across hostile Bulgaria, when Roumania came into the war. He finished the war by chasing retreating Austrians and Bulgars along Balkan defiles on one of the fastest types of single

seater scout machines, and machine - gunning them from fifty feet above their heads. Then, after the armistice was signed, he flew from Salonika to Jassy and back, just for fun, to have a talk with the Roumanian authorities. He is one of the



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SOME OF THE 2000 GERMAN AEROPLANES DEMANDED UNDER THE ARMISTICE: A LINE OF SURRENDERED MACHINES AT NIVELLES .- [R.A.F. Official Photograph.]

most decorated soldiers of the war, if not quite the most. He holds the Legion of Honour, the Military Medal, and the War Cross of France, the British Military Cross, the Russian Cross of St. George, the Serbian White Eagle, and the Roumanian Order of St. Jacob; and one hears that he has a few more coming to him for recent escapades. All of which is a pretty good show for a pilot forty-seven years of age, who started as a simple sapeur-aviateur (or private) in the French Aviation Service, considering that flying is supposed to be a young man's game.

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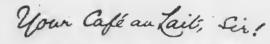
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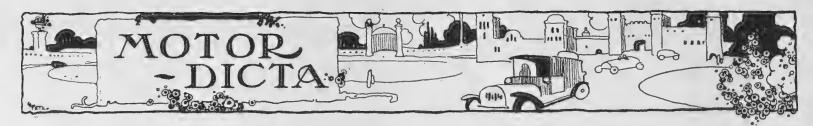
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PETROL AND PARLIAMENT: THE PASSING OF A PIONEER. By GERALD BISS.

NGLAND once upon a time having been the land of the free, we start the New Year with the invidious distinction of being the only country-of any account, at any rate-with any motoring restrictions. However, even bureaucracy running riot did not dare to carry out the utterly futile proposal to reimpose the thirty-mile limit, farcical in itself, at the end of the present week. It was wise in time, as nothing kills even the best-established bureaucracy like ridicule; and it was certainly asking for it-and worse! So much for that threatened pinprick. But the petrol restrictions are still upon us, with the sixpenny surtax upon every gallon allotted to pay the bill for our own hobbling. Of this the kindly explanation appears to be that, having come formally under the Finance Act 1916, it must obtain until Parliament passes another measure freeing us from what has become an anachronism even during this prelude to peace. The country, according to Mr. Joynson Hicks, M.P., the chairman of the Automobile Association,

is simply "swimming in petrol" -a fact no one will deny, I fancy yet we have still to go hat in hand to Berkeley Street and beg a dole, though now every motorist is pretty sure to get fifty gallons a month on application. paying withal that extra shilling on every tin. It is not a healthy or satisfactory state of affairs from the British standpoint, which one fears has been permanently changed by this warcreated superfluity of officials and controllers of practically everything except the one essential of profiteering in everything from

boots to beer. Dear brethren, it is indeed a beautiful thought, as curates used to say before they learnt their job in the trenches.

New Motor Champions in Parliament. I am not here to analyse the Coalition scoop throughout the country, though I daresay that at a pinch I could pen a few blithe obituaries of some who have passed away; but I am

within my brief in referring to the return of certain Members in so far as they touch the matter of motoring. Apart from such old and tried hands as Sir Arthur du Cios and Mr. Joynson Hicks (above referred to), and other lesser lights, some very strong and forceful personalities have been added, which not only bode well for the nation from the business point of view, and for motoring in particular, but are a practical proof of the sanity of Labour and the recognition of where its own best interests lie. First, Coventry, made turbulent at times during the war by shop-stewards seeking to justify their autocracy in democracy and an undercurrent of organised Bolshevism, has returned Mr. Manville, the head of the Daimler

Company, and for years Chairman of the Society of Motor Manufacturers and Traders, by a thumping majority. The marvel about Mr. Manville, to my mind, is that he has time to be an M.P., as he has so many other things on hand. Then in Brum, the King's Norton Division has gone all out for "Pa" Austin—Sir Herbert of that ilk, head of the firm that bears the cachet of his name, which dates from the Red Flag Age in the annals of motoring; and he promises, outside sage counsel in Parliament, to give marvellous value for money in his post-war model, the result of specialisation, in this era of prices that make our petty overdrafts blush at their own ineptitude.

The Nucleus of an Auto Phalanx.

Two other wicked "capitalists"—to use that much-abused term of opprobrium, which in these days in reality spells scientific organisation—are Sir Hallewell Rogers, chairman of the B.S.A., and Mr. Douglas

HADRAS SINK SALUMAN

THE MOTOR-CYCLE ON STRIKE-DUTY! PICKETS AND A DESPATCH-RIDER OUTSIDE THE ASSISTANTS' HEADQUARTERS DURING THE HAIR-DRESSERS' STRIKE.—[Photograph by S. and G.]

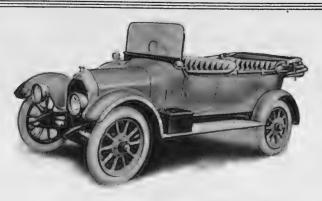
own the famous Wolseley; and Nottingham has plumped decisively for a native in Mr. A. R. Atkey, who is a great champion of the retailer and the agent, and a shining light in the M.T.A., and his voice will be heard forcefully and effectively whenever matters appertaining to motoring come or have to be forced upon the notice of the great Coalition family party at Westminster. I am only sorry that amongst the rejecteds is Captain Gordon Aston, an automobile scribe of parts, who put up a fine fight in

Vickers, chairman

of Vickers, who

North Paddington against five opponents, and was only beaten by a length by the candidate with the "coupon." He would certainly have added to the gaiety of the nation, whilst talking plenty of horse-power sense. None the less, a good nucleus of a solid automobile phalanx to make itself felt.

"Harvey Senior." The exigencies of holiday printing, especially in these shorthanded days, make a reference to the death of Mr. Harvey du Cros, the father of the pneumatic tyre and one of the great pioneers of motoring, belated. "Harvey Senior," as he was always called, was a wonderful personality, and carried the great respect and affection of the whole motoring fraternity—a little man, ever dandiacal, yet with a dynamic force that one could feel instinctively in his presence, and a kindly iron hand in a constant white kid glove. I shall never forget asking him one day with callow curiosity why it was he had financed so many rival motoring concerns. "Because," he answered, "when rubber tyres are your business, the best way to use your profits is to finance things that wear them out."



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Just what Fashion means to do during the Who Knows? next few months is something that most women would give a good deal to know. All sorts of vague rumours as to possible developments are floating around. If La Mode really does do everything she is reputed to be contemplating she will prove herself something more than a super-acrobat. It is impossible for anyone, even so versatile a being as Madame Mode is reputed to be, to accomplish everything laid to her charge within

the next few months. How can you be full and rotund, sleek and drain-pipey, square, flat, or round all within a month or six weeks? One authority states quite definitely that revolution is brewing in the dress world. He hints darkly of startling changes and a return to the modes of our grandmothers. Another boldly declares that, so far as essentials are concerned, there will be" no change." A third is certain that

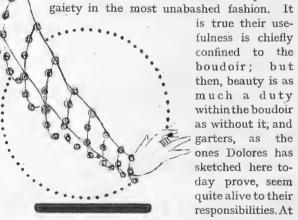
something will happen, but he is not quite sure what. Is it any wonder that mere woman is perplexed and uncertain as to the lines on which to map out her dress campaign for the next few months?

Topics and Trifles. Meantime, the sales are on, and, if models "as good as new; Madam," are not exactly being given away, they are at least cheaper than they were before Christmas, and much cheaper than they are likely to be during the next few months. Whatever changes may take place in the

world of dress, one thing at least is certain-prices, high now, are likely to go higher yet. Really smart frocks are not coming down to their pre-war figures for very many months, if ever. Superior people may smile at the idea of "sale" shopping, but there never was a time when the discriminating buyer stood to profit more by the exercise of foresight and care than at present. Frocks, however, aren't everything, as the admiring sailor said when the beautiful lady leapt overboard airily clad in garters and a pair of the "dinkiest" slippers that ever fitted a last. Trifles mean a lot in

dress, and even the war has not blinded women to the importance of completing a well-chosen toilette with et-ceteras worthy of the frock they accom-

Gaiety and Garters. Garters, for instance, still tread the path of gaiety in the most unabashed fashion. It



Loops of silver roses help to beautify an evening sleeve.

quite alive to their responsibilities. At the moment, the garter that does not match the shoes worn below it is as much out of date as a farthingale on a tennis-court. If only one could take a census, it would be found that those women

who still cling to the garter habit take very good care, these days of crowded tubes and still partially darkened streets, to avoid any risk of figuring as the centre of interest in a coroner's court except in the perfectly matched "undies," with garters to tone, that Fashion requires.

I can't help thinking that a Judge does not Blame for Bags. always place the blame where it is due. One is always reading of some learned pundit on the bench expatiating on the sin of shop-lifting, and it's always the woman who is to

blame. Hand-bags, however, are not entirely free from reproach. If it weren't a known fact that every shopkeeper provides new things not to increase his own income and induce a woman to spend money, but just because he feels it to be his duty to help her to be in the fashion, the unthinking might be tempted into believing that the hand-bag maker was in league with the devil. For handbags grow bigger and bigger, as well as more and more beautiful. From simple beginnings costing a guinea or two at most, they have developed into quite large-sized works of art that cost almost as much as an Old Master, and much more than a masterpiece by an un-

fashionable artist. How can any woman be expected to carry a beaded sack empty for ever?

> Decorative Notions.

Women have gone beaded and 'broidered for so long that it is not surprising

to find many of them wondering as to what form of decoration awaits them in the immediate future. Don't, if you happen to own a gown that's profusely worked in coloured silk, or soft and woolly like a rabbit's coat by reason of its angora decorations, run away

with the idea that it is going to stamp you as being hopelessly behind the times in the next two or three months. The long régime-it was long for a fashion-of severity that preceded the present feeling for embroidered effects was followed by a violent reaction in favour of everything that suggested femininity and the "fussiness" said to be inseparable from it. Whatever may happen to women's clothes in the near future, they are not likely to revert to anything approach-

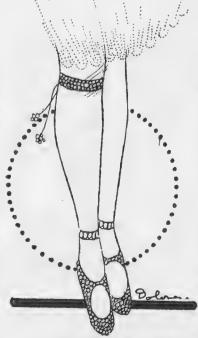
ing the asceticism that characterised them in the early days of the war.

There are disquieting signs that The Bustle. the bustle intends to make

bid for popu-Miss Marlarity. Bannerman garet wears a flock at the Vaudeville the jupe of which has a quite unmistakable bustle. It is true that it is formed by folds of the material and is innocent of horsehair, but there is no mistaking what it is meant to suggest. The only consolation is that few women would object to wearing it if it suited them as well as it does the wearer in "Buzz Buzz."



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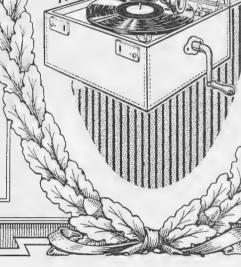
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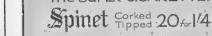
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Peter Robinson. The great house of Peter Robinson in Oxford Street has gained and kept our affections through m ny years by giving us everything of the best and at most reasonable cost. This year their sale, which opened on Monday, will continue for three weeks only. Those will be three record weeks, however. Velours coats with large collars of black fur, in several rich dark colours, at \pounds_4 10s. each, are unlikely to want buyers. Wrap-coats of velours cloth, with smart high collars of seal coney, at 10 guineas, are very handsome, comfortable, and up to date.

Perhaps the well-cut tailor-built suits in navy and black coating will be the favourite purchase; they are in "S.W.," "W.," and "O.W." sizes, and cost 98s. 6d. only. Then there are coats and skirts of Scotch tweed, the coats having rain-proofed linings, at $8\frac{1}{2}$ guineas. These are smart and businesslike, and in favourite mixtures and colours. Also model coats and skirts in varied styles and fabrics, several of them handsomely trimmed with fur, which are well worth £6 10s., are being sold at £5.

Gooch's Sale at Knightsbridge Gooch's. House offers opportunities for sound investment in every department of that well-known establishment. Especially appreciated will be the chance of buying model gowns at less than half-price. One in navy velveteen, the price of which was 20 guineas, is being sold at £9. There are other examples, but not very many; and, as the sale opened on Monday, some will certainly have been bought. A Saxe-faced cloth embroidered gown in the latest straightline cut, which was 19 guineas, is offered for £10. About a hundred serge and frieze costumes in navy, mole, copper, brown, fawn, etc., are reduced from £8 18s. 6d. to 79s. 6d. Newest styles and shapes in mole and navy costumes, which were 6½ guineas, are now 99s. 6d. A blanket velours coat trimmed with seal coney, and half-lined with silk, in navy, black, brown, and bottlegreen, which was 91 guineas, is now being sold for £5. There are hundreds of other bargains, and furs can be acquired at favourable terms.

Debenham and Freebody.

The great house of Debenham and Freebody, in Wigmore Street, have their sale from the 6th to the 18th. It is

even better, from the buying point of view, than usual. In much favour will a large selection of velveteen house-coats be found. They are black, and are faced with either pale-blue or flesh-coloured silk. Their price was 78s. 6d., and is now 58s. 6d. The convenience and comfort of them, now that houses are only a little heated, need no pointing out. 'Also they are handsome, becoming, and easily donned. Boudoir-gowns in chiffon velvet of all kinds of pretty shades, trimmed with swansdown, are delightful wear for tea, until dinner time, and for dinner in the family circle. Of more elaborate tea-gowns suitable for dinner and play parties there are many, and the prices will be found pleasantly easy. Crêpe-de-Chine coatees, very smart and becoming, are being cleared at 69s. 6d. each. There are distinct bargains in floral cotton crêpe-de-Chine blouses, very attractive in many designs and colours. These were 29s. 6d., and are being cleared at 18s. od. It is good news that henceforward this favourite establishment will be open on Saturdays.

Get you to Harrods on the morning of the Words to 13th if you want it to be a real white Monday. the Wise. By so doing you will skim some of the cream of this wonderful firm's wonderful one week's sale. What say you to a fleecy wrap called the "Merton," just ready to put on, for 58s. 6d.? How does a large and styleful black velvet hat for 58s. 6d. strike you? Have you any fault to find with a "Compton" long wrap coat in artificial fur for 59s. 6d.? These are but a few items culled from hundreds. Men's heavy silk khaki hemstitched handkerchiefs for 3s. 6d. are just is, each cheaper than at ordinary times. Thirteen shillings off a suit of heavy winter-weight silk pyjamas is worth taking a walk for; they were 63s., and at the sale will be 50s. Velveteen housefrocks, some embroidered in contrasting tones of silk, are a bargain at 49s. 6d. The catalogue, which will be sent free to intending purchasers, is a substantial book filled with examples of similar excellent opportunities for investment.

John Barker and Co. Barker's great house in High Street, Kensington, has its sale in full swing. It will continue for this month, and is, from the wonderful value in every department, evidently intent on beating its own record. The 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th should be made a note of as remnant days, for Barker's remnants, so keenly appreciated, are more deserving of appreciation than ever. Superior stout khaki oilskin coats at 21s. 9d,, with hats to match for 2s. 11d., are bargains of the most useful kind. Tweed coats or frieze coats, well tailored and with smart fur collars, at 51 guineas, are most desirable, being comfortable and smart. For the purchase of underskirts on most advantageous terms this sale offers exceptional advantages. A good poplin underskirt in black and all colours is sold for 10s. 11d.; a good silk underskirt in black and all leading shades is only 27s. 6d. In dressing-gowns there are decided bargains. In warm ripple, bodice lined with flannelette, and the collar and cuffs of white embroidered lawn, the price of a comfy ample gown is 25s. 6d. It would cost a lot more than that to make one to-day, and will to-morrow and hundreds of morrows. In sports coats there is wide choice, and prices are extraordinarily reasonable. Barker's is a real good sale.

Mercie McHardy. The sale at Mercie McHardy's well-known salons, 240, Oxford Street and 3, Princes Street, Oxford Circus, began on Monday, and is now proceeding. The woollen jerseys, coats, and skirts for which this house is famous are being sold at surprising reductions when one considers the demand for wool throughout the world. These garments, too, have their own cachet, and give

a style quite Parisienne to their wearers. Velours coats and furtrimmed coats are a specialty of the firm, and there are great bargains to be obtained in them, and in smart hats and in fur hats, which, with the worst of the winter still before us, are in much demand. Fur-trimmed coats are being offered in variety, and at prices surprisingly low, when the price before sale time is considered. The smartness of all the hats, coats, and costumes at this establishment makes their acquisition at reduced prices very desirable.

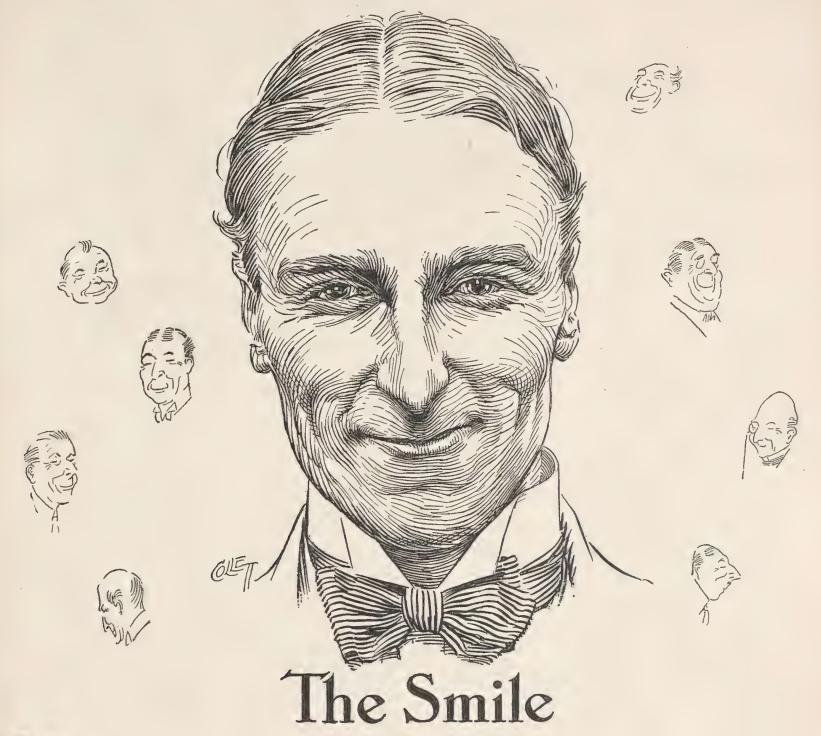
Dickins and Jones.

The well-known and greatly liked house of Dickins and Jones inaugurated their sale on Monday, from which date it will continue for two weeks only. Fur-lined coats are being cleared off regardless of cost. One, which is light in weight, is of fine quality blanket-fleece lined with squirrel lock, and having a handsome opossum collar. It is in shades of bottle-green, navy-blue, nigger-brown, or grey, and



From the chrysalis of her sombre cloak Madame emerges like a brilliant butterfly, a little dazzled by the beauty of her gown of rose-pink charmeuse beaute and tulle, exquisitely embroidered in pearls and dimanté.

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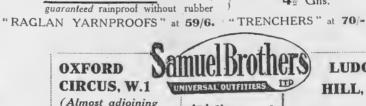
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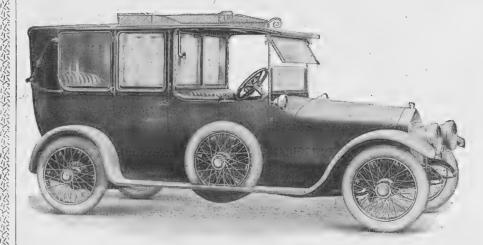
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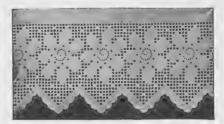
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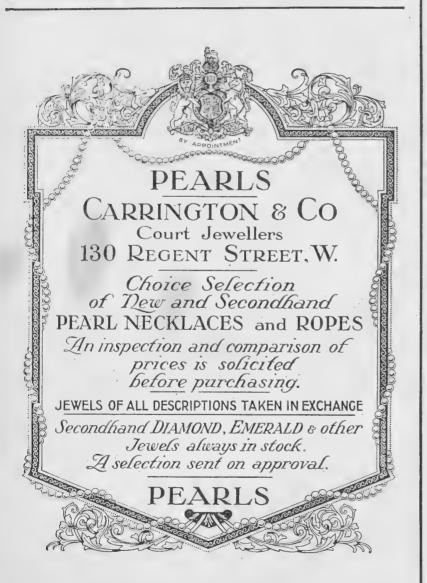
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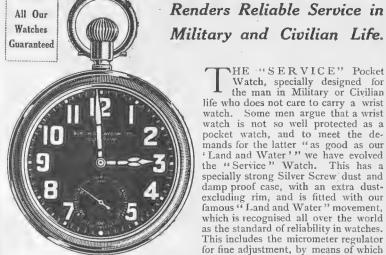


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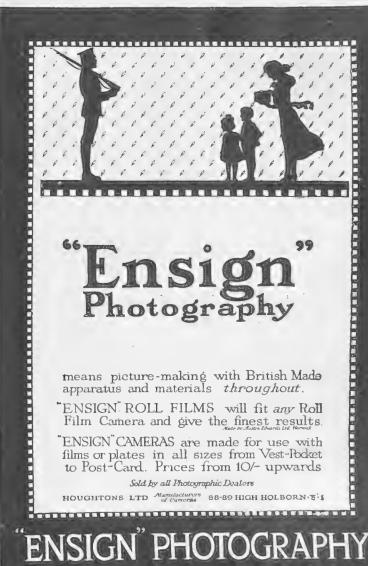
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the sale price is 8 guineas. There are two dozen smart coat-frocks in superior wool gabardine, all well-cut and of up-to-date shapes, in fawn colour, grey, or navy-blue; these were from 8 to 15 guineas, and are now being sold at the uniform price of 5 guineas. In blouses no better bargains can be made than at this sale. Well-tailored shirts, striped and of washing de-Chine, are selling at 29s. 6d.; their ordinary price is 35s. 9d. Striped wool taffeta shirts, with detachable polo-collars, in

many smart stripes, are marked down to 8s. 11d. A cream-coloured wool taffeta shirt with a high stock collar, and black taffeta bow, fastened in front with pearl buttons, sells for 11s. 9d., the usual price being 14s. 9d. In knitted coats there is fine choice and excellent value; while several odd coats are offered at half-price.

There is no more favourite shot in Gorringe's. famed establishment in Buckingham Palace Road. The Winter Sale opened on Monday; and is of even greater advantage to customers than before. The firm issue no catalogue and hold no White Sale, but their clients reap all advantages. Especially great are those now available in the fur coat and fur-trimmed coat departments—which is good to contemplate, for our most severe weather is assuredly ahead. In crêpe-de-Chine undies there are good bargains to be made, as they are being sold at great reductions—some which are very slightly soiled, and very considerably marked down. Model rest-gowns are being sold at less than half their cost. All corsets, including the celebrated "Ravissante" variety, are greatly reduced in price; and there are oddment pairs which were 89s. 6d., now selling for 29s. 6d. All cotton undies are also very materially reduced in price.

Marshall and Snelgrove's.

Every woman who knows the ropes waits, dress allowance and cash Christmas presents in hand, for the

Winter Sale at Marshall and Snelgrove's. This great house in Oxford Street and Vere Street began on Monday

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Pale-pink crepe-de-Chine is the material used for these cami-knickers, and they are adorned with Valenciennes lace and black velvet shoulder-straps, and & bow with long ends at one side.

to sell off at delightfully reduced prices its own exclusive stock in every department. A crêpe-de-Chine jumper in lovely shades, daintily finished and really dressy, for 29s. 6d., is something to acquire and feel one has done good business. Corduroy velveteen coatees at 49s. 6d. are handsome, and promise comfort for cold days to come. The firm's exclusive jumpers are selling at prices very much under the usual, and in all the models the reductions are really great. Tailored blouses are reduced from 28s. 6d. to 21s. 9d. Black georgette tea-gowns, with long pianofore effects in pale gold, at $6\frac{1}{2}$ guineas are bargains. There is

wide choice and uniform good value throughout this department, and the gowns are all lovely. Venetian brocade tea and dinner gowns, made in style to suit this beautiful material, are selling from 8½ guineas each. In blouses also there is the same remarkable value which is being given in every department of this distinguished house.

Harvey Nichols. A sale at Harvey Nichols's fine establishment in Knightsbridge is a thing when found to make a note of and not to neglect to attend. The house is one with the very best of old traditions side by side with the most upto-date of everything for sale and the most modern methods of selling. Millinery models are much reduced; all who know how very chic and smart and well-chosen is the millinery will rejoice at this. A hat of black net, with round crown and upturned

brim finished with a glittering band of bugle jet, is just the last word in smart becomingness for restaurant wear. A black velvet hat in a particularly novel shape, with ospreys

out from the brim, is lovely. Another black velvet hat, rather high of crown and narrow of brim, owes very decided cachet to a beautiful upstanding Paradise plume in bright sapphire-blue. For widows

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SUBMARINE "STRAFING" AT 74.

Mr. Justice Hill and Mr. Justice Roche, sitting a different Courts for the trial of Admiralty actimity systemary, had before them as witnesses two major mariners who have won distinction by courageous units a seriest German II busts.

action against German G House.

In the first case the witness was Captain Angu Ketth, who was awarded the D.S.C. for ramming submarine, and the O.B.E. for was reprises as commanding officer of a transport. The second witness was Captain W. St. Lobb, aged 15, who on his 740 birthday successfully best off an enony submarine hard was awarded the D.S.C. Ho also holds the

This cutting exemplifies only one of many deeds of heroism performed by the men of the Merchant Service during the War.

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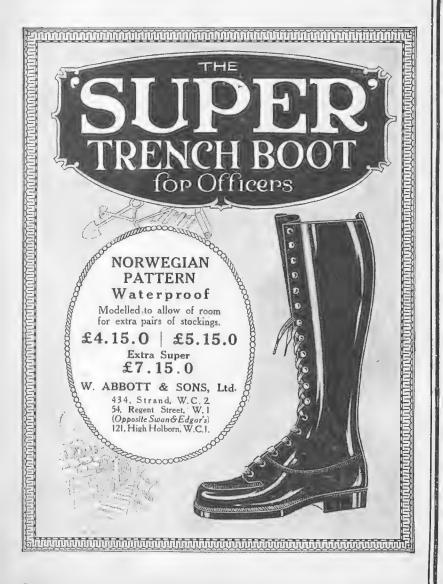
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A Winter Sale at Jay's exclusive and distin-Jay's. guished house is always most pleasurably anticipated by those of us who regard dressing as an art. On Monday the Winter Sale at this world-famed establishment commenced, and there are opportunities there of acquiring quite the latest things in smart coats and skirts, day and evening gowns, at reduced prices. Many of these desirable clothes are being sold at much less than they cost to create. Evening gloves are being sold at pre-war pricestwelve-button length white kid gloves for 5s. 11d. a pair, and twentybutton length ditto for 10s. 6d. a pair. There are very considerable reductions also in washing doeskin, and in kid and suède gloves; those from Jay's have a great reputation. In heavy silk stockings, there is a reduction from 32s. 6d. to 27s. 6d. a pair; while heathermixture wool hose are 5s. 9d. a pair. In sports coats there are, in certain colours, reductions from 21s. to 15s. 9d.; and jumpers are being sold at very easy prices. In beautiful furs and in ladies' underwear most appreciable reductions reign.

There is a va-et-vient at Bradley's well-known house in Chepstow Place, for the Winter Sale and the Fur Sale there are now proceeding, having begun on Monday last, and continuing through this month. The Fur Sale provides some remarkably sound investments. A model cape-stole in sabledyed squirrel for $6\frac{1}{2}$ guineas is a prize for someone; also three ties in sable-dyed fox at 4½ guineas. A set in natural grey squirrel for 14 instead of 17 guineas is another bargain. Muffs for 7½ guineas which were 15 guineas; stoles in natural Jap fox for 21 guineas; collars in natural fitch for $5\frac{1}{2}$ guineas; fur-lined and trimmed coats of homespun, monks-cloth, and velours cloth at 121, 16, and 17 guineas—are among some of the attractions of a fur sale that will delight smart women. The Winter Sale includes model tailor suits, of which there is one at 13 guineas which cost 700 francs. There are model hats at greatly reduced prices. Model afternoon and evening gowns are also exceptional value. In blouses and in tea-gowns there is plenty of choice, and the reductions are very considerable.

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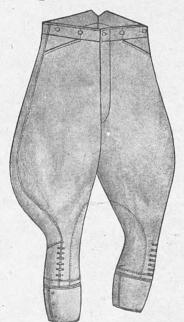
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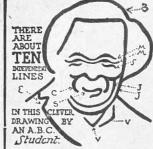
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